Table 7-2. TAC adjustment decision table using established criteria. Adjustments to the TAC are from the baseline of 400,000 abalone/year.

CRITERIA					ACTION
Recruitment		Density (ab/ha) Deep (refuge)	- em	ergent surveys All Depths	
Yes	AND	more than 4,100	AND	more than 8,300	1) Increase TAC by 25% (to maximum of 500,000 ab/yr)
NA*		3,300	AND	6,600	2) <b>Maintain TAC</b> (400,000 ab/yr)
No	AND	less than 2,500	OR	less than 5,000	3) Reduce TAC by 25% increments
NA		NA		less than 3,000	4) Close fishery until stocks are recovered according to recovery criteria OR enough data are collected to shift to long-term management plan
NA		more than 3,300	AND	more than 6,600	5) If recovery criteria are also met,  Re-open closed fishery under long-term management plan

Note: Closed fisheries will not be opened unless recovery criteria are met. \*NA = not applicable.